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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is submitted in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 3, 2003 ("the Office Action"), for which the period set for response expires on January 3, 2004. Applicants believe that no extension-of-time, or related fee, is required for this Amendment and Response to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional petition for the proper extension, if one is required, and a conditional authorization to charge any related extension fees or other fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

Please make the following amendments, without prejudice, and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' Remarks appear on page 8 of this paper.

Appendix A including Applicants' declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 is attached following page 10 of this paper.